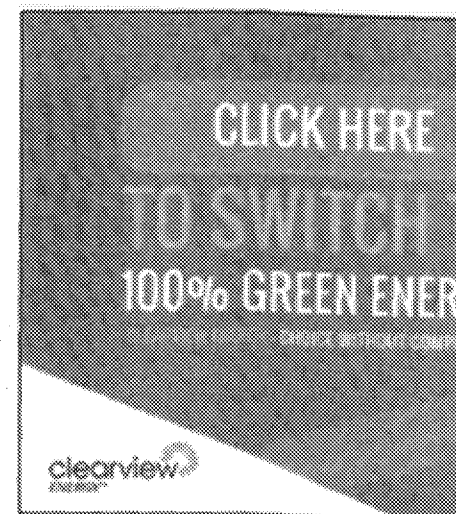
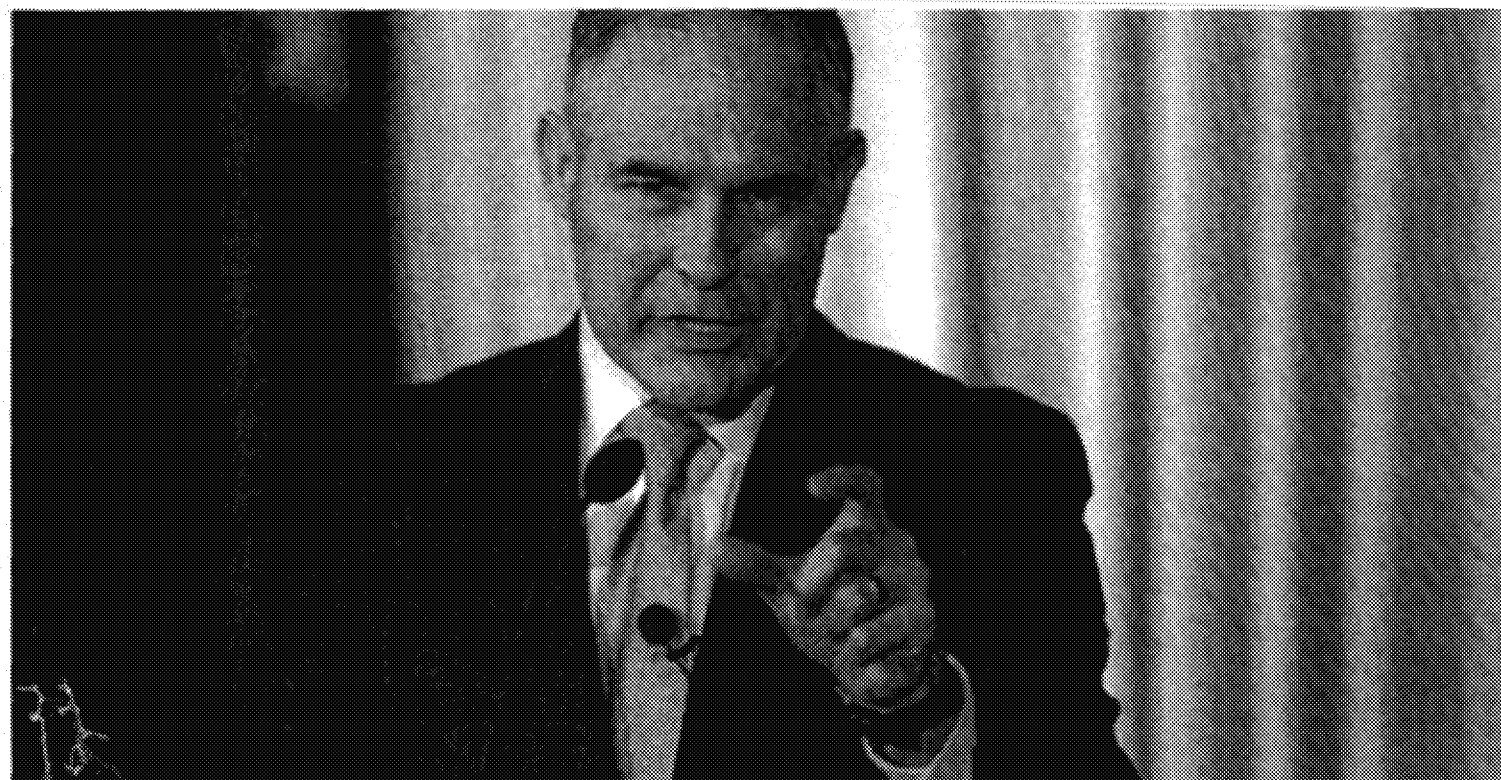


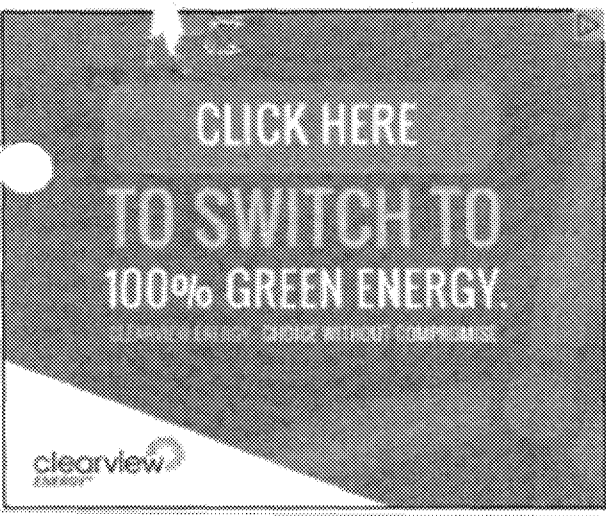
Pruitt: U.S. Should Leave Paris Climate Agreement because It's a 'Bad Business Deal'



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Administrator Scott Pruitt said on Fox's "The First 100 Days" Thursday evening that the United States should leave the Paris climate agreement, calling it a "bad business deal" for America.

Pruitt referenced the discussions Thursday at the White House with regards to the Paris

agreement emphasizing, "I think the point that needs to be made initially is that the CO2 discussion having a seat at the table, American leadership on CO2 reduction we're at pre-1994 levels right now in this country on our CO2 footprint largely because of innovation and technology that we've deployed here that has reduced our carbon emissions."

The EPA chief went on to point out that China, Russia, India, and other countries across the globe "have not had similar commitments and what Paris represents is a front-loading of cost for this country, a contraction of our own economy while other countries continue to pollute and not take steps that we've taken already."

Pruitt believes "what we should be talking about is how we export innovation, how we export technology that we've already deployed here to places like China and India to get accountability with respect to our CO2 footprint."